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Identical letters dated 14 December 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, and further to our previous letter reporting attacks by the United States-led "international coalition" against the territory, oil and gas facilities, and economic infrastructure of the Syrian Arab Republic, I should like to inform you that that coalition has launched new and deliberate attacks against the Abdulra'uf al-Junayd school and the Baza'ah village bakery in the Bab district of Aleppo governorate, completely destroying both.

Like the previous attacks, these deliberate acts of aggression have targeted not terrorist groups, but rather civilian infrastructure and civilians. The Government of the Syrian Arab Republic reserves its right, under international law, to demand compensation for the destruction from the States members of the American coalition. It also demands an immediate end to such acts, which serve only to destroy the capacities of the Syrian people and prolong the crisis.

I should be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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